

28TH INTERNATIONAL SAXOPHONE SYMPOSIUM

The Navy Band presents the 28th International Saxophone Symposium at George Mason University on Friday, January 7 and Saturday, January 8, 2005. The event features classical saxophonists Philippe Geiss, Joseph Lulloff and Maeda Masahiro as well as jazz saxophonist Jerry Bergonzi.

All events are FREE with no tickets required. The opening concert by the Navy Band (Friday, January 7, 8 p.m.) and the final concert by the "Commodores" jazz ensemble (Saturday, January 8, 8 p.m.) are in the Concert Hall at the university's "Center for the Arts." The January/February issue of Fanfare will include the schedule of events.



Philippe Geiss



Maeda Masahiro



Joseph Lulloff



Jerry Bergonzi



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## “HAPPY HOLIDAYS” NAVY BAND HOLIDAY CONCERTS

Saturday, December 18, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 19, 3 p.m.

The United States Navy Band and its specialty groups present this year's holiday concert, entitled “Happy Holidays,” at DAR Constitution Hall, 18th and D Streets, N.W., in Washington, D.C. The performances are **FREE** and tickets are required. To request up to four **FREE** tickets, please send a self-addressed, stamped **business-size** envelope to:

**Holiday Tickets (FF)  
U.S. Navy Band  
PMB #472  
2657 G Annapolis Rd.  
Hanover, MD 21076**

(Designate "A" for Saturday, "B" for Sunday)

Please allow 2-4 weeks for delivery.

All ticket requests are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Once again, the Naval Media Center will broadcast the performance via satellite. We expect the performance to be carried by Direct to Sailor network (DTS) and American Forces Television and Radio Service (AFRTS). Various local cable channels may choose to air this special. Check your local listings or on screen cable programming guide for details, or visit [www.navyband.navy.mil](http://www.navyband.navy.mil) for a complete list of stations.

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## NAVY BAND PLAYS AT 2004 NORWEGIAN MILITARY TATTOO

Capt. Ralph M. Gambone, Lt. Cmdr. Ralph M. Ingraham and 70 members of the United States Navy Band traveled to Oslo in September to perform at the sixth Norwegian Military Tattoo.



Above:MUC John L. Fisher croons a la Frank Sinatra in “Chairman and the Board.”  
Left: Col. Christer Johannsen, Chief Executive and Producer of Norwegian Military Tattoo, receives the coveted Navy Band “Drumhead Plaque” from Capt. Gambone.

Sweden, Switzerland and the United States of America to perform at the 5,000-seat Oslo Spektrum. The tattoo was the crown

jewel in performances that began with a special concert on September 8 held at the Sonja Henies (Henning) Ballroom.

Named for the Olympic skater, the ballroom hosted the music of The Royal Norwegian Navy Band, the Guard’s Band of



Helsinki, the Central Band of the Army of the Czech Republic and your United States Navy Band. Capt. Gambone opened by conducting “Strike Up the Band.” Chief Musician John L. Fisher

“wowed” the audience with “Chairman and the Board.” “The Stars and Stripes Forever” was familiar to the crowd who then warmly received Musician First Class Shana Leigh Sullivan in “God Bless America.” “Anchors Aweigh” concluded the evening. The Norwegians expressed their appreciation with a standing ovation, the only one of the night, for the entire Band!

On Friday, Drum Major, Master Chief Musician Jeffrey C. Myers led the 54-piece Navy Ceremonial Band along the parade route from Akershus Fortress to the Royal Palace

## Navy Band to perform Holiday Concert at DAR Constitution Hall December 18 and 19



(SEE HOLIDAY CONCERT INFORMATION, BACK PAGE)

# Performance Calendar

The U.S. Navy Band and specialty groups present the following FREE concerts. Tickets or reservations are not required unless noted (\*). For more information call (202) 433-2525.

## NOVEMBER NAVY BAND

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 7 P.M.**  
Patuxent High School  
12485 Rousby Hall Road  
Lusby, Md.

## SEA CHANTERS

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 7 P.M.**  
St. John's United Methodist Church  
5312 Backlick Road  
Springfield, Va.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2 P.M.**  
Ft. McHenry National Monument  
& Historic Shrine  
Baltimore, Md.

## CHAMBER GROUPS

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2 P.M.**  
"CHAMBER RECITAL"  
Glenview Mansion  
603 Edmonston Drive  
Rockville, Md.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 7 P.M.**  
“HARBOR WINDS”  
CLARINET QUARTET  
Navy Museum (Bldg. 76)\*  
Washington Navy Yard  
Washington, D.C.  
\*For FREE reservations call (202) 433-6897.

## DECEMBER

## NAVY BAND

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 7:30 P.M.**  
Robinson Secondary School  
5035 Sideburn Road  
Fairfax, Va.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, TBD**  
“MENORAH LIGHTING”  
President's Park/The Ellipse  
Constitution Ave. & 15th St., N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

## SEA CHANTERS

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 4 P.M.**  
Washington Street United  
Methodist Church  
115 S. Washington St.  
Alexandria, Va.

## CHAMBER GROUPS

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 7 P.M.**  
“HARBOR WINDS”  
CLARINET QUARTET  
Surratts-Clinton Library  
9400 Piscataway Road  
Clinton, Md.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 3 P.M.**  
“CHAMBER RECITAL”  
Montgomery College  
Performing Arts Center  
51 Mannakee St.  
Rockville, Md.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, NOON**  
BRASS QUARTET & VOCALIST  
“HOLIDAY FAMILY DAY”  
U.S. Navy Memorial  
701 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

## LOOKING AHEAD TO JANUARY

## COUNTRY CURRENT

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 8, 8 P.M.**  
Great Mills High School  
21130 Great Mills Road  
Great Mills, Md.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 8 P.M.**  
Sudbrook Arts Centre\*  
4300 Bedford Road at Alter St.  
Pikesville, Md.  
\*For FREE tickets call (410) 887-1244.

## COMMODORES 2004 FALL TOUR

The “Commodores” jazz ensemble departs October 27 on a 21-day tour through Pennsylvania, New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Jersey. The following list of tour performances is a continuation of those published in the September-October issue.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1:30 P.M.**  
North Country Union High School  
Auditorium  
Newport, Vt.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 7:30 P.M.**  
The Capitol Center for the Arts  
Concord, N.H.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 7 P.M.**  
Ipswich High School Auditorium  
Ipswich, Mass.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 4 P.M.**  
Magnolia's Vineyard  
Regional High School  
Performing Arts Center  
Oak Bluffs, Mass.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2 P.M.**  
Taunton High School Auditorium  
Taunton, Mass.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 7:30 P.M.**  
Bellamy School Auditorium  
Chicopee, Mass.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 8 P.M.**  
John M. Green Hall  
Northampton, Mass.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 7:30 P.M.**  
Manchester High School  
Bailey Auditorium  
Manchester, Conn.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 8 P.M.**  
East Ridge Middle School  
Ridgefield, Conn.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2:30 P.M.**  
Piscataway High School Auditorium  
Piscataway, N.J.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2 P.M.**  
Southern Regional  
High School Auditorium  
Manahawkin, N.J.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 7 P.M.**  
Lenape Regional  
Performing Arts Center  
Marlton, N.J.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 7:30 P.M.**  
Willingboro High School Auditorium  
Willingboro, N.J.



CAPTAIN’S MESSAGE

You will find this edition of fanfare filled with information and stories about our trip to Oslo, Norway, in September, and what a great trip it was! Our sponsors were gracious hosts, and your Navy Band didn't disappoint the over 40,000 Norwegian citizens who heard the band perform.

The “Most Wonderful Time of the Year” is upon us, and the Navy Band is preparing for its annual holiday concert as well as the numerous protocol receptions and functions that we support every year. This year's “Happy Holidays” concerts will be presented at DAR Constitution Hall on Saturday, December 18 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, December 19 at 3:00 p.m. The “Sea Chanters” chorus, “Country Current” country-bluegrass group, “Cruisers” rock ensemble and members of the “Commodores” jazz ensemble will join the Band as we feature many new arrangements and selections that cover a wide array of musical styles and holiday feelings. Santa will make an appearance and lead us in a salute to our troops. Please make plans to start off your holiday season by hearing one of these performances. I guarantee it will get you in the holiday spirit. Be sure to request your tickets early for both of these concerts (and remember to include your self-addressed, stamped return envelope). Ticket requests will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Address information is included in this issue. The United States Navy Band looks forward to sharing “Happy Holidays” with you!

On behalf of the men and women of the Navy Band, I wish each of you Happy Holidays! May the New Year bring you only happiness and joy.

*[Handwritten signature of Ralph M. Gambone]*

Ralph M. Gambone, Captain, USN  
Officer in Charge/Leader



NOTABLE QUOTES

*“Your Sailors' superb service in support of these recent 9/11 memorial events has given the citizens of this community (and the many others you've supported) a most positive impression of "Navy," and provided a level of comfort and support to those you've reached that no amount of money can buy - that's a Return on Investment (ROI) of which anyone should be proud. Keep up the good work, and please pass on my best wishes to all.”*

CDR Mike Mitchell, USN  
Head, Navy Music Program

*“Thank You all again for the Norwegian military tattoo, your show was fantastic!”*

*I wish all the best and hope we meet again!”*

Tamas Paraczky, Guards Band  
Helsinki, Finland  
(clarinet / bass clarinet)

*“I just wanted to let you know what a wonderful time I had last night at the performance by the Cruisers... The band is absolutely fabulous. My friends and I enjoyed this immensely.”*

Patron,  
“Cruisers” rock ensemble concert

*“Great concert at the Paramount Center in Bristol! We really enjoyed the music and the members. There is a lot of talent in the group!”*

Jim & Marilyn Swartz ,  
Patrons,  
“Sea Chanters” chorus concert

FEATURES/CONCERT HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED...



Capt. Gambone shines in the spotlight as he prepares to lead the U.S. Navy Band at the Oslo Spektrum.

Square where the Chief Executive and Producer of Norwegian Military Tattoo, Col. Christer Johannsen, conducted them all in a program that featured “Colonel Bogey,” “Pa vakt” and “SS Norway.” The bands of the military academies, specialty units and the drill teams marched off to “Klronprins Olavs Honnørmarsj.”

The Tattoo opened officially on Friday night and repeated for two Saturday performances. The Drum Major marched the 56-piece United States Navy Band onto the stage. Capt. Gambone conducted “Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean” and “America” from *West Side Story*. Musician First Class Courtney R. Williams sang only a few notes of “Ol’ Man River” from *Showboat* before the audience did a brief footstomp in recognition of this magnificent voice singing a favorite song. Chief Fisher recreated Frank Sinatra’s hit, “New York, New York” before “Anchors Aweigh” brought Navy Band's portion to a close. All of the units filled the stage as the finale opened with what might have been the



The U.S. Navy Band performs with all the participants of the Tattoo on the grounds of the Royal Palace in Oslo, Norway.

longest-ever version of “Colonel Bogey.” In contrast, a lone bagpipe started “Amazing Grace.” The arrangement built with the addition of each soloist and band. It brought the audience



MUCM Jeffrey C. Myers leads the 54-piece Navy Ceremonial Band along the parade route from Akershus Fortress to the Royal Palace in Oslo, Norway.

to its feet, overwhelmed by the spectacular event. The National

Enthusiastic and grateful fans kept them long past the scheduled close. Sunday’s schedule left band members free to explore the charming and friendly city. Organized tours revealed the city itself through the Viking Ship, Maritime and Ski museums as

well as the spectacular views afforded from the ski jump atop the mountain. Members of the Cruisers gave an off-duty, impromptu performance at one of the clubs. With a seating capacity of about 40, over 100 locals

gathered that night, hungry to hear these musicians who didn’t



All of the participants of the Norwegian Military Tattoo join forces on stage for the finale.

Anthem of Norway served as the centerpiece of the finale.

At the gala banquet and dance after the final performance, Capt. Gambone made presentations, and the

Navy Band Brass Quartet opened the ball. Taking their cue from this traditional opening, the Navy Band “Cruisers” rock ensemble segued with waltz tempi before “rockin’ the night away.”

have to *copy* American jazz, they *were* American jazz!

Before departing for Norway, Capt. Gambone declared, “We are all very excited for the opportunity to represent our Navy and our country at this prestigious international event.” Afterwards, Lt. Cdr. Ingraham summed up the experience as “definitely worthwhile.” He was impressed by the “warmth and graciousness of everyone we met. People did everything in their power to make us feel welcome.”

The Navy Band returned to Washington, D.C., on September 13 enriched by the exchange of music, culture and friendship. *ff*

THE UNITED STATES NAVY BAND HAS OPENINGS FOR HIGHLY QUALIFIED AND EXPERIENCED INSTRUMENTALISTS AND VOCALISTS.

COMMODORES JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Trumpet (split lead)  
January 13-14, 2005

SEA CHANTERS CHORUS

Mezzo Soprano  
November 19, 2004

Bass  
November 19, 2004

CRUISERS ROCK ENSEMBLE

Trumpet  
January 7, 2005

For more information call Senior Chief Musician Stuart McLean, Audition Supervisor at (202) 433-2840. Or email: navyband.auditions@navy.mil.

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

**Musician First Class William C. Mulligan**, saxophone instrumentalist with the "Commodores" jazz ensemble, who received the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

WELCOME ABOARD TO...

**Musician First Class Leon E. Alexander**, drummer with the "Cruisers" rock ensemble.

SPOTLIGHT ON...

*With so many holiday traditions focusing on the family, we wanted to turn our spotlight on a Navy Band family-the Dollards. Chief Musicians Joe and Luellyn Dollard met, fell in love, married and are now raising a family while continuing their duties as valuable members of the Navy's premier musical organization.*



Background...

**Luellyn:** I was born in Houston, Texas. My family moved often; but I lived in Fort Worth from the fifth grade on, so I consider that my home. It is where I started playing the flute at age 12, liking it so much that I knew that's what I wanted to do when I grew up. I went to college at the University of North Texas (Denton) and received my master's degree from Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. After a year of playing in the Civic Orchestra of Chicago, waiting tables at Bennigan's and getting poorer every day, I auditioned for the Navy Band.

**Joe:** Although I was born in Claremore, Okla., I grew up all over the northwest in North and South Dakota, Missouri, Nebraska and Washington. I graduated from high school in Great Falls, Mont., and earned a Jazz Studies Degree from the University of North Texas. I was playing in the Dallas Wind Symphony, teaching and one class away from a graduate degree when I auditioned for the Navy Band. The rest, as they say, is history.

How did you meet?

**Joe:** Well, we actually attended school together at North Texas. Apparently, we made such a small impression on each other that neither of us remembers the other. So much for love at first sight! Thankfully, we both felt differently once we were both in the band. Some say it was the romantic military music that brought us together, but I attribute our change in attitude to the fact that we both look so stunning in our uniforms. Who could resist!?

Obviously your sense of humor stands you in good stead; but how do you manage the demands of working together here at the Band?

**Joe:** With the birth of our first son, Johnny Danger Dollard, things became quite busy for both of us. Fortunately, this is a large and diverse organization, so often Luellyn and I are doing different jobs with different schedules. Sometimes we can both spend an entire day together at work and never see each other until we get home a night! Having different schedules is good for us as it allows us both to spend time with our son.

**Luellyn:** Yes, but we do play concerts together from time to time and our extra duties keep us even busier. I play in the Windjammers Quintet and the Harp/Flute Duo as well as performing administrative duties such as arranging our chamber music series. Joe is very busy with the Recreation Committee, which is I think really helps the Band's morale. We keep a joint schedule on the home computer to keep track of everything and to help in arranging childcare.

Can you share some of your personal goals?

**Luellyn:** I am very happy. I just got promoted, so I plan to "rest on my laurels" and lounge around a lot. Ha! Actually, I'm a little wrapped up in being "Mommy" right now. Johnny is almost three and our second child is due around Christmas. I spend most of my time making lists of things for Joe to do around the house!

**Joe:** In addition to my official "Daddy" duties, I want to continue to develop the potential of the Navy Band Brass Quartet, enhancing their success and celebrating the talent and potential of its members. It's great to work with such professional musicians in the Band and especially to be in a leadership position that can serve to share this special group with the public.

Do you have time for hobbies?

**Joe:** Luellyn and I started windsurfing together shortly after we met, and we spend a lot of time on the Potomac River. Actually, I spend a lot of time ON the river while Luellyn spends most of her time IN the river. Just kidding, she's really quite speedy for a flute player. I also enjoy renovating our house and occasional woodworking. We have restored a 1966 Checker Marathon Cab that we both love to drive.

**Luellyn:** I'd say windsurfing is my favorite hobby. I can't wait until our kids are old enough to start windsurfing with us. I also enjoy kayaking, and I spend time in the Bolling Air Force Base Frame Shop, matting and framing pictures for our house. Our last big vacation was our honeymoon. When we get a chance to go again, we'd like to do some more scuba diving and snorkeling.

*We wish all of the extended Navy Band family a joyous holiday season and the happiest of new years.*

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